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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Docket No. 403120)

In re the Application of:

Harold Mattice

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For: Method and Apparatus for Controlling Access to Areas of Gaming Machines

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) <u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114</u>

Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) of this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or 1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1351.

As the Submission required for filing of an RCE, an Amendment is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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